

As an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with worldwide operations, the German government owned Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH operates on behalf of German Ministries, the governments of other countries and international clients. GIZ has a record of more than 60 years working in Thailand. For the project “**Global Partnership on Drug Policies and Development (GPDPD)**” we are currently looking for a Project Coordinator.

Project Coordinator

The overall objective of the program “Global Partnership for Drug Policies and Development” within the budget title “International Cooperation with Regions for Sustainable Development” (IZR, German acronym) is formulated as follows: Interested governments promote development, human rights and public health oriented approaches in drug policy.

The IZR-project GPDPD works globally across different sectors and focuses on four operational fields of action: within field of action (1), the project fosters international drug policy dialogue towards development, human rights and public health-oriented strategies with a focus on the UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) and related international fora and decision-making processes. Within field of action (2), the project draws on an alliance of implementation partners to deliver pilot-level advisory services to interested governments in Southeast Asia, Southeast Europe and Latin America. Within field of action (3), the project promotes innovation in international drug policy and contributes to a strengthening of the scientific basis for evidence-based drug policies. In field of action (4), the project promotes its approaches in social media, on its website, and through mobile applications. All operational fields center on and seek to promote alternative development, human rights and public health-oriented drug policy approaches.

The implementation partners in operational field (2) include the Thai Mae Fah Luang Foundation (MFLF) under Royal Patronage and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) as well as civil society organisations. GPDPD organizes jointly with its implementation partners activities inside and outside of Thailand. This cooperation takes place on a technical level as well as in the field of international policy making. Besides its close cooperation with the MFLF, the project cooperates closely with Thai authorities in the field of drug policy on a variety of issues, both in the field of alternative development and illicit drug crop cultivation as well as in the field of public health and drug use.

The Project Coordinator will serve as a liaison officer between GPDPD, its international partners and the MFLF as well as other Thai counterparts. The Project Coordinator is part of a global team with operations in Berlin, Bonn, Bangkok, Bogotá, Tirana and Yangon. The Project Coordinator will be placed at the premises of GIZ Bangkok but will also be working regularly at the office of MFLF.

Responsibilities:

The project coordinator is responsible for

- co-implementing in close cooperation with the GPDPD team and the MFLF all issues related to training and advisory activities in the framework of the GPDPD in Thailand and abroad and by this contributing to the overall achievement of the GPDPD goals in the fields of action I and II;

- Constantly liaising with MFLF and other relevant Thai authorities in the field of alternative development, public health, drug policies and related issues;
- Contributing to field of action III and IV in close cooperation with the Communications advisor of the team and of GIZ Bangkok;
- Handling local procurement processes and constantly monitoring the financial affairs in Thailand of the project in constant exchange with the project controlling in Germany and GIZ Bangkok;
- Contributing to Monitoring & Evaluation as well as regular planning and reporting activities under supervision of the GPDPD team.

We are looking for a candidate who possesses:

- Masters/MSc in international relations, international development, international drug policies, agriculture, political science, sociology or other related areas of expertise related to the projects

Professional experience

- 5 - 10 years' professional experience, with at least 3 years' professional experience in a comparable position and within an international setting;
- 5 – 10 years' experience in working in politically sensitive settings, preferably in the field of drug policies and related issues;
- 5 – 10 years' experience in cooperation with Thai government authorities, foundations and civil society, preferably in the field of drug policies and related issues;
- Working experience at / with GIZ will be an asset

Other knowledge, additional competences

- excellent communication skills and social competencies, and experienced in coordination works with high-level persons and national and international partners;
- very good working knowledge of ITC technologies;
- fluent written and oral knowledge of English and Thai. Working knowledge of German will be an asset;
- In-depth knowledge of Thai and other Asian drug control systems as well as the international drug control regime will be an asset;
- willingness to travel up-country and abroad as requested/needed by the project. Willingness to accept prolonged stays in Germany and/or other countries where the project maintains operations.

This will be a fixed-term contract, starting June 15, 2019 and running until June 15, 2021.

Please submit your application and CV to chattayada.pattaragulwanit@giz.de. The deadline for applications is May 31, 2019. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. GIZ Thailand is an equal opportunity employer and actively encourages gender diversity within the company and operations.

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